

## U.S. Announces Big GI Cutback

### 120,000 Men Remain; Once There Were 543,000

SAIGON (AP) — The U.S. Command announced the second biggest troop cut of the Vietnam war today, leaving fewer than 10,000 American combat infantrymen and artillerymen in the Saigon, Cam Ranh Bay and Da Nang regions. Among the units included in the 4,940-man reduction was

the 2nd Squadron of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. The night before one of its 1,060 men was killed and four were wounded in a clash 24 miles northeast of Saigon.

The squadron was the only remaining American armored unit in the 3rd Military Region and was attached to the 3rd

Brigade of the 1st Air Cavalry Division.

The other big unit was the 5th Battalion, 42nd Artillery, whose 155mm towed howitzers supported the 3rd Brigade. Its authorized strength was 600 men.

In all, 32 Army units and one small Air Force detachment

were phased out. The Army units included half a dozen helicopter companies and squadrons with a total of more than 100 aircraft based in the Mekong Delta, the Saigon area and Da Nang.

The United States still has about 1,200 helicopters in Vietnam, a spokesman said; once it had 2,900.

The U.S. Command said it was the largest single reduction since last July 1, when 6,095 troops were pared. The cutbacks today reduced total U.S. strength in Vietnam to fewer than 120,000 men from a peak of 543,000 in April 1969, two months before President Nixon began his withdrawal program. Another 32,000 men are at U.S. bases in Thailand, and 15,000-20,000 men are aboard Navy ships operating off the coast.

The command said of the troops remaining in Vietnam, about 50,000 are combat and combat support troops—including infantrymen, artillerymen, combat engineers and Army and Air Force aviators—and fewer than 10,000 of these actually do any ground fighting. The other 70,000 are combat service support troops, including supply personnel, maintenance men, bakers, cooks and clerks.

President Nixon has ordered this force cut to 69,000 by May 1.

The clash in which the armored cavalry squadron suffered its casualties was one of three fought Tuesday by units from the 1st Air Cavalry Division in the Saigon region. One American and two of the enemy were killed and eight Americans were wounded.

Two fights flared after an American patrol detected an enemy squad moving toward night campsites near fire bases Gibraltar and Fiddler's Green, a U.S. spokesman said.

The U.S. troops engaged the approaching enemy and called in rocket-firing helicopters for support, he said. One American and one enemy soldier were killed and five Americans were wounded, the spokesman reported.

The third fight broke out about 40 miles east of Saigon in Long Khanh Province.

"Our guys were on patrol, spotted some enemy in the jungle and tried to set up a hasty ambush," said a military source. "Shots were exchanged. They fired B40s

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## Yampolsky Opens Race For Judge

Atty. Edward M. Yampolsky, 41, a Benton Harbor native and head of Berrien County Legal Services Bureau, Inc., in St. Joseph, today announced his nonpartisan candidacy for a six-year term as Berrien county Fifth district judge.

Two of the four judgeships in the Fifth district court will be up for election in the November balloting. Expiring terms are those of Judges Paul Pollard and Harry Laitty. Yampolsky is the first to announce his candidacy.

Yampolsky, of 2162 Broadway, Benton township, is a 1947 graduate of Benton Harbor high school, a 1951 graduate of the University of Michigan, and a 1954 graduate of the U-M law school.

Immediately after law

school, he entered the U.S. Army for two years and served in Germany in artillery. On returning he was an associate of Atty. Richard Insley of Benton Harbor for four years, then spent two years in California and returned here to enter private law practice with a brother, Robert S. Yampolsky in Benton Harbor.

In 1967, he became director of the Office of Economic Opportunity-funded Berrien County Legal Services Bureau, Inc., in St. Joseph. It represents indigent clients in civil matters such as divorces, lawsuit defense, contract disputes, etc.

"I feel that my experience as an attorney for 13½ years in both civil and criminal law, and my knowledge of the problems of Berrien county, give me the ability to do an honest, impartial job as district judge, if elected," he said.

Yampolsky was an unsuccessful contender for Berrien prosecuting attorney as a Democratic candidate in 1958 and Benton Harbor municipal judge in 1960.

He is a member of the Berrien County Bar association, the State Bar of Michigan, the Commercial Law League of America, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1459.

He and his wife, the former Miriam McDonald, former clerk of Benton Harbor municipal court, were married in



EDWARD M.  
YAMPOLSKY

1962. Yampolsky is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yampolsky, Benton Harbor grocers.

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AFTERMATH OF U-M FIRE: This is how the dining room of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority house appeared after a fire Tuesday at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. In the past two months

scores of fires have occurred on the campus and police there are hunting for an arsonist or several arsonists. (AP Wirephoto)

## U-M Fires Continue At Rate Of 2 A Day

### Rewards Fail To Stem Outbreaks

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Tightened security, posted rewards and a trickle of tips to police have failed to stem what authorities call arson on the University of Michigan campus.

Fires continue to occur about two each day.

The series of fires started Jan. 27 with a blaze in the graduate library. Since then, fires have been discovered in more than a score of rest rooms, mostly men's; in dormitory hallways and closets; in several libraries, and in other buildings.

Two persons have been burned. Damage has run into the thousands of dollars, but no official estimate has been offered recently.

A total of \$10,500 in rewards is being offered: \$10,000 through the Detroit News Secret Witness program and \$500 from the Student Government Council.

The scope of the investigation, which originally focused on a single arsonist, has been enlarged to include the possibility of several persons setting fires. But, while authorities say they are making progress, they also admit they have few good leads.

"We really don't know what

we're looking for," said Ann Arbor Police Chief Walter E. Krasny. "Most of our information is based on a basic description which would fit just about anyone on campus."

"I think, obviously, we're looking for more than one person."

Frederick Davids, campus security chief, agrees:

"I'm convinced that we've got more than one person setting fires. Possibly at the outset we had just one person, but I think the picture is changed now."

Davids emphasized, however, that "progress is being made."

The number of fires under investigation varies, depending on which official is asked.

Tuesday, Davids said his list

of fires included 52 or 53. Chief Krasny said his investigators were carrying 40 cases which included a total of 67 fires.

"I don't think anyone has got what you would call a real accurate count," the police chief said.

Most of the blazes have resulted in minor property damage. But, last Saturday, two persons were injured slightly when a fire exploded containers of duplicating fluid at the UM School of Public Health building.

Both Davids and Krasny say the potentially most dangerous fires occurred in the University of Michigan General Library, the school Administration Building and the Michigan Union.

"Another three or four min-

utes and the fire department would have been fighting (the General Library fire) from the outside of the building," Davids said, adding that, while books were destroyed in the blaze, none was rare or irreplaceable, as earlier reports indicated.

Davids said one university official earlier this month estimated total damage at \$10,000, but the security chief said he was sure the figure was outdated.

Krasny and Fire Chief Arthur L. Stauch have had their investigators working with men from the state fire marshal's office. Teams of officers assemble daily at police headquarters to process tips received.

"We're going on very little. (See back page, sec. 1, col. 8)

## Car Kills Large Doe Near Galien

GALIEN — A large doe was claimed by Frank J. Blazek, 18, of rural Three Oaks early this morning after it was struck and killed by his car. Blazek told Berrien deputies of Galien sub-station the deer jumped in front of his car about 4:50 a.m. on Olive Branch road, one mile east of Cleveland avenue in Galien township.



JESSE W. HOWARD  
Senate Candidate

## Jesse Howard Changes Mind; He's Going After Bigger Game

Jesse W. Howard, who announced his intentions a year ago to run for the U.S. House of Representatives, says he's now going after bigger game — the Senate seat held by Republican Robert Griffin.

Howard, 57, of Union Pier believes Griffin will be fairly "easy to beat. I find a lot of dissatisfaction with him in both parties. He will lose a lot of Republican votes."

Before tackling Griffin on the November ballot, Howard will have to win the Democratic nomination

in the August primary. Howard says he's taken out nominating petitions for the primary. Other Democratic candidates loom as Atty. General Frank Kelley and Marilyn Jean Kelly, member of the State Board of Education.

Howard ran for the Democratic nomination for Congress in 1970 and was defeated, 6,153 to 2,813, by David McCormack of Niles who then lost to Rep. incumbent Republican Edward Hutchinson.

Taking a swipe at

Griffin's opposition to busing, Howard said in a letter to the senator:

"You are hung up as a result of your selfishness and petty prejudices. You have made it clear to the minority groups and voters of your racial identity, not only on busing, but also your teammates."

Howard noted a headline in the Feb. 18 edition of this newspaper that quoted Griffin as saying "Blacks Don't Want Busing Either." Howard commented:

"I want Mr. Griffin to

know that he don't speak for all the blacks or whites because they all didn't vote for him, and he better take a good look at his amendment on busing. Take a good look at the: (1) housing, (2) equal opportunity, (3) health (mental health) and (4) hunger. The paradox of hunger in Michigan's most affluent society, can no longer be tolerated."

Howard heads the Twin City branch NAACP political action committee, a position he said he would resign because of his candidacy.



GOOD CITIZEN: James Reese (right) of Gardner road, Galien, receives good citizenship citation for his part in the apprehension of four truant boys on a house-looting spree last September. Reese is credited with capturing one of the boys and leading state police to the other three as well as their loof. The citation, granted by the state police board of awards, is presented by Lt. Neil Bement, commander of the state police post at New Buffalo. (Don Wehner photo)

# THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

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### Anything To Hold Attention

Although serving in Congress or a state legislature has never been our conception of a job leading to cardiovascular disturbances, most of our elected representatives display a remarkably strong bipartisan demonstration that it can be a mankiller.

Possibly to maintain that facade, most of them find diversionary excursions a good way in which to relax and at the same time keep their names before the folks back home.

This week a House foreign affairs subcommittee is opening a public hearing on the problems in Northern Ireland.

It's first invited expert witness was Senator Edward M. Kennedy who when he is in his office and not sailing off into some investigation overseas has been advocating that Uncle Sam propel himself into this family fight 3,000 miles across the Atlantic.

Kennedy testified Monday before the committee that the White House should offer its services to mediate the dispute. It is an irony, stated Teddy, that the United States should not take whatever steps it can to settle an argument between two of its oldest, closest friends, Great Britain and Ireland.

Teddy is correct on the length and proximity of that friendship, but until the embattled friends think to ask the third member in the triumvirate to look into the situation, it's better for the latter to remain on the sidelines.

The uninvited have a way of gaining a mutual enmity from the combatants squaring off at one another.

Teddy's purpose is easy to grasp. The Irish Catholic vote in Massachusetts is a nice thing to have in one's hip pocket and even if Teddy does not shed his non-candidate posture for the Presidency this year, it is well to

prepare now for whatever can be made of the future.

The committee's majority rather apparently has the same idea in mind, though probably in all realism not on Kennedy's grander planning.

Prior to testifying Monday before the committee, Teddy had drawn a comparison between Ulster and Viet Nam, if it is proper at best or at the least not improper for the U.S. to attempt by military force to settle a domestic argument in Southeast Asia, what reason can be given for not offering our services as a court to weigh the evidence in the Irish hassle, is his question.

Several answers come to mind. Uncle Sam's record on intervening in outside battles is not overwhelming.

If Viet Nam is the purely domestic fight of local self determination that Kennedy claims for it, our predictable score on it is zero. In the past we have intruded into several Latin American contentions and backed the losing horse or taken the wrong direction consistently. Our poor guessing on the Cuban situation is the latest, most egregious example of following a sign post leading to nowhere.

While lacking the dramatics of Ulster, the fragmentation immediately on our northern border is a tinderbox which seemingly disturbs no one in the U.S. upper echelon. Quebec's separatist yearnings and their effect, whether realized or not, should be of greater concern to our country than an overseas parochial hassle of better than three centuries duration which has yet to disturb the world's balance of power.

In no way does this advocate forwarding Kennedy's idea to Ottawa and Quebec. It simply warns against the peril in overlooking a touchy question very close to home.

A third reason for Uncle Sam minding his own business is the danger in an outsider suggesting a remedy for an ailment he has not diagnosed.

Ulster has been represented as a modern version of the religious wars which wracked 17th century Europe.

If comments from the tempestuous Bernadette Devlin, the spokeswoman for the intransigents, are any guide at all, the Catholic vs. Protestant demonstrations are surface expressions of more complex socio-economic disagreement.

For any arbitrator, American or whatever nationality, to poke his nose into that can of worms would simply compound that which is already complex and confusing. There is a growing impression that those on the scene may not fully understand why they are bushwhacking one another.

We have some tensions in our backyard which require better thinking than has been applied to them so far; and until we can clear away our underbrush, we're in no position to palm ourselves off as experts in domestic tranquility to others.

### Energy Survey

Last year for the first time the natural gas industry in the United States was unable to meet all of the growing new demand for service. Taking note of this, the Federal Power Commission has issued a staff report which predicts that within 20 years the industry will be forced to concentrate its efforts on supplying existing customers.

Between 1945 and 1970, the natural gas industry grew rapidly as a supplier of energy, increasing its share of the market from 13 to 33 percent. During those years, the FPC notes, the industry has been burning its reserves faster than it has been developing new ones.

To promote exploration, the FPC in recent years has been granting price increases. But if discoveries of new gas reserves should be increased, the report predicts expanding demand could not be met beyond 1975.

"It is evident . . . the study concludes, 'that a sober assessment of the future role of natural gas is an essential element in the current considerations of the nation's energy capabilities.'"

A comprehensive survey of the nation's energy sources and reserves is needed to place in perspective the requirements of future growth potential. If the natural gas industry will be unable to absorb its share of an expanding market, what energy suppliers can take up the slack?

### Thunder-Cloud



### GLANCING BACKWARDS

#### MICHIGAN DRAFT QUOTA

—1 Year Ago—

Michigan local draft boards have been ordered to deliver 1,969 men for induction into the Army during March, State

Selective Service Headquarters announced today.

In addition to the March call, some, 1,154 registrants will be ordered for preinduction physical examinations during the month to deter-

mine their acceptability for induction.

#### LAKESHORE SETS VOTE

—10 Years Ago—

Lakeshore school district voters will go to the polls April 9 to decide whether a 2.5 mill property tax increase, passed last August to aid school operations, should be extended for a second year.

The board of education, after voting to put the proposal on the ballot, said the extension is needed to help meet a \$607,000 budget.

#### FIRST U.S. TROOPS ARRIVE IN LONDON

—30 Years Ago—

Several hundred United States troops arrived in London today from northern Ireland.

(Censorship is holding up transmission of details concerning the movement of American soldier to London. Messages from London explain that the brief bulletin announcing their arrival was erroneously transmitted by the cable company without submission to the censor, who then asked it be withheld.)

#### VISITING

—40 Years Ago—

William R. Kent, who has been spending the winter in Memphis, is visiting his grandmother, Mr. R. F. Stratton of Main street. He is listed in the March issue of Fortune magazine as one of the few private owners of an autogiro plane.

#### NEW LOCKS

—50 Years Ago—

Banks of the twin cities are installing new burglar proof locks.

#### FEAR LOSS

—60 Years Ago—

That the severe cold weather of the past winter has killed the peach crop of Berrien county has been the fear of many.

#### PARTY

—80 Years Ago—

Warren Smith will entertain his friends tonight in his home on Broad street.

### EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

#### EDUCATION CAN BE OVERLY PROGRESSIVE

Like the ground hogs, whom they markedly resemble, the progressive educators are one again this time of year crawling out of their holes. Their minds have been asleep, and now they have all kinds of new ideas on how to bring up the young.

This winter thaw, however, they have some of our more brilliant politicians shielding them from any sort of light. The Education Committee of the Lansing Losers has come up with a bill that might even make permissive Auntie Mame gasp. The bill, sponsored by Sen. Bursley (R-Ann Arbor), will introduce into the school classes on contraceptives, birth control, etc., and "will offer any advice or information in this respect", whatever that means.

The enlightened senator hastens to add however, that those children whose unenlightened parents provide a written statement will be excused from such classes.

May I humbly ask the senator, as well as his co-sponsor, Sen. Charles Zollar, if I, as a taxpayer, may also be excused from helping to pay the salaries for the instructors in contraceptives, as well as any required school supplies?

If not, will Senators Bursley and Zollar take a generous cut in their salaries in order to pay for their 'progressive brainchild'?

Up? UP? Away? To where?  
Robert J. Charles,  
Bridgman

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

#### QUESTIONS CHANGE

On Oct. 25, 1971, the legal government of China, based on Taiwan and administered by America's staunchest ally, Chiang Kai Shek, was, in effect, booted out of the U. N. and replaced by its illegal counterpart on the mainland, Mao's Communist dictatorship, erroneously, but disarmingly, called "The Peoples' Republic of China".

Why this exchange of a nation of peace and prosperity for one displaying an attitude of belligerency, one which was, by the most accurate accounts, murdered 64,000,000 of its own people in the space of 25 years? Here is a puzzle undoubtedly shared by millions who believe (yet) in the United Nations as "our last best hope for peace."

However, Mao and Chou—as

well as students of the history and structure of this widely ballyhooed "peacekeeping" agency — see no irrelevancy in the seating of Communist Chinese delegates, and the expulsion of the Free Nationalist Chinese. They know that the name of the game is "peace"—Communist style (—no opposition to total Communist control, enforced by U. N. peace keeping" forces.)

In 1945 the Communists printed a pamphlet entitled "The United Nations", which explained what function they had in mind for the U. N.:

1. The veto will protect the U. S. S. R. from the rest of the world.  
2. The U. N. will frustrate an effective foreign policy of the major capitalist countries.  
3. The U. N. will be an extremely helpful instrument in breaking up the colonial territories of non-Communist countries.

4. The U. N. will eventually bring about the amalgamation of all nations in a single Soviet system.

To round out the "blueprint" for world conquest via the U. N., G. Edward Griffin adds to more prominent points in his definitive book, "The Fearful Master".

1. Maneuver the non-Communist member nations into established socialism at home as the necessary transition stage to Communism. . . .  
2. Induce the stronger non-Communist member nations to transfer full control of their military forces to the United Nations. After this, no resistance will be possible. The world will be communist."

In conclusion, as Krushchev said, "When the Red flag flies over America, it will be Americans who put it there." Or—we can get the U. S. out of the U. N. and the U. N. out of the U. S.

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### San Diego Lags In GOP Ante

WASHINGTON (AP) — San Diego, host for the 1972 Republican convention, is \$300,000 behind in payments to the party, and GOP chiefs are getting worried about collecting.

Party officials said Tuesday only about \$100,000 in cash has been paid by the San Diego Convention Visitors Bureau, even though a \$200,000 payment was due Jan. 1. A final payment of \$200,000 is due April 1.

### Bruce Blossat

### Mills Trips On N.H. Tax Issue



MANCHESTER, N.H. (NEA) — Shrewd, able House Ways and Means Chairman Wilbur Mills is floating a costly write-in bid in New Hampshire's March 7 presidential primary. But he is suffering from his confused involvement in a hot fight here over a proposed state income tax.

It can be disclosed now that when Mills recently came to Concord to talk about his federal revenue-sharing bill, he struck two sharply different postures on the tax.

He told New Hampshire legislators their state should not be penalized on revenue-sharing if it does not have such a tax. But his bill would seem in most instances to propose greater rewards to those states which make their own income tax effort. And Mills later told Republican Gov. Walter Peterson, who is pushing an income levy, that what the governor is doing in this regard is "important."

These conflicting postures, indeed Mills, whole embolism in the tax affairs, suggest an ineptitude which contrasts noticeably with the polished skill being lavished on the powerful chairman's sleeper campaign for the presidency.

Take a look at that campaign.

For many months, a draft-Mills committee has been quietly working under leadership of Massachusetts Rep. James Burke, author of a pending restrictive trade bill and Charles Ward, millionaire Arkansas bus manufacturer.

Their undertaking properly assumes Mills' appeal to the

South. Soundings there turn up wide interest in him as a southerner free of the handicaps which hobble Gov. George Wallace on the race issue.

But the Mills camp has been eager to gain him credibility as a national candidate. That's why he gave nearly 200 speeches in 40 states in '90 days. And that's why he hustled up to New Hampshire. Mills told newsmen here his current push, including the March 7 write-in bid, reflects his developing judgment that neither frontrunner Sen. Edmund Muskie nor anyone else has a clear route to the 1972 nomination. The fact, however, is that Mills gave a strong New Hampshire signal last October.

He made a speech in Laconia, and his people sounded out the territory. It was at that time he got the invitation to talk to the state legislature in mid February on revenue sharing — his favorite opening wedge in the campaign to win presidential visibility.

Since early this year, the Mills men have been very busy here. There Manchester headquarters has the whiff of money. The literature is fancy. A beautifully done half-hour television documentary film is getting steady exposure, both on the air and by request in towns where he has headquarters. Radio spots are numerous, and expensive direct mailings have been dispatched. Those politicians who know this state say he could be spending upwards of \$250,000, though his aides deny it.

### Marianne Means

### Is McCarthy Really Serious?



WASHINGTON — What is Eugene McCarthy really up to this year?

Is the former Senator a legitimate Presidential candidate who ought to be taken seriously? Is he a frustrated dropout who misses the crowds and the headlines? Is he a vindictive spoiler bitter over his failure to win the White House in 1968?

Whatever else he is, McCarthy is the most adept put-on artist in political life today. His tongue is quicker than the ear; he could sell tuxedos to penguins.

What McCarthy is currently trying to sell is the idea that if he runs well against Sen. Edward Muskie in the Illinois primary March 21 he should automatically become a credible Presidential candidate again.

Like most of McCarthy's recent activities, this represents something on a unique approach. Illinois has a split primary, one part for delegates and a second that is

little more than a beauty contest. McCarthy has chosen to ignore the delegate contest and compete for the popularity points.

It is the nation's third big primary, and McCarthy's theory is that if he can stop — or at least dent — Sen. Muskie there he can make a good case for his own candidacy. Only Sen. Muskie and McCarthy are entered in the popularity contest, so McCarthy believes he can roll up a big vote by collecting all the anti-Muskie factions that prefer somebody else. The effect, if there is one, will be purely psychological. McCarthy can't win a single delegate for his efforts.

McCarthy has just signed up a professional campaign manager, given him a budget of up to \$400,000, and promised to spend 90 per cent of his time in Illinois until the primary. It all smacks of more professionalism than he displayed in 1968.

Local rumor has it that McCarthy is a stalking horse for Sen. Hubert Humphrey or John Lindsay, but naturally he denied it. Coincidentally, however, his campaign manager, Sanford Weiner, was approached by both Lindsay and Humphrey before he finally signed on with McCarthy last week.

McCarthy has been trying to get people to take him seriously as a Presidential candidate for several months, but he has not had much success. He stands at about 8 per cent in the national public opinion polls. At the New Democratic Coalition caucus in New York, which used to be a hotbed of his supporters, he won only 10.5 per cent of the delegates. At a similar New Left caucus in Massachusetts, where he had made a special effort to get delegates, he came in third with only 13 per cent. In his home state of Minnesota last week, a McCarthy-McGovern coalition could only muster a minority of delegates — and most of those openly preferred Sen. George McGovern to McCarthy.



"I'll be dern'd! The crowd out near the road that you thought was gatherin' to go into town to meet the candidates IS the candidates!"

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Twin City  
News

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## Only 54 Vote In Model Cities

### Six Elected To Citizens' Steering Council

Only 54 ballots were cast Tuesday in an election for six members of the Benton Harbor-Benton township Model Cities citizens steering council.

Benton Harbor City Clerk Evelyn Grenawitzke reported

four of the ballots were spoiled because they were cast for candidates not residing in the right district. Forty-five persons voted in the township and only 13 in the city.

More than 5,000 residents reside in the area.

The results:

District 2, Benton township, Nathan Henry 3 votes.

District 4, Benton township, Edward Hudson 19 votes, Hans Johannsen 6, Mary Newcomb 40.

District 6, Benton township, Annabelle Bankston 9.

District 8, Benton Harbor, Larry E. Brown 7.

District 10, Benton Harbor, Carroll Johnson 3.

District 12, Benton Harbor, Joan Kuykendall 3.

Council seats in the other six districts of the Model Cities area expire next year.



AT SCHOOL ON 19TH BIRTHDAY: Mrs. Mary West; a sprightly 76; is the oldest student in adult basic education of Benton Harbor Area schools. Mrs. West was born on Feb. 29, so she's really only had 19 birthdays, the most recent of which was commemorated by a party given by teachers and classmates at Benton Harbor seventh - eighth grade center. Mrs. Carolyn Royals, an instructor, points to passage in textbook for Mrs. West who is studying reading, mathematics, spelling and penmanship in her third year of adult basic education. Her goal is a high school diploma.

### Senate Honors SJ Band

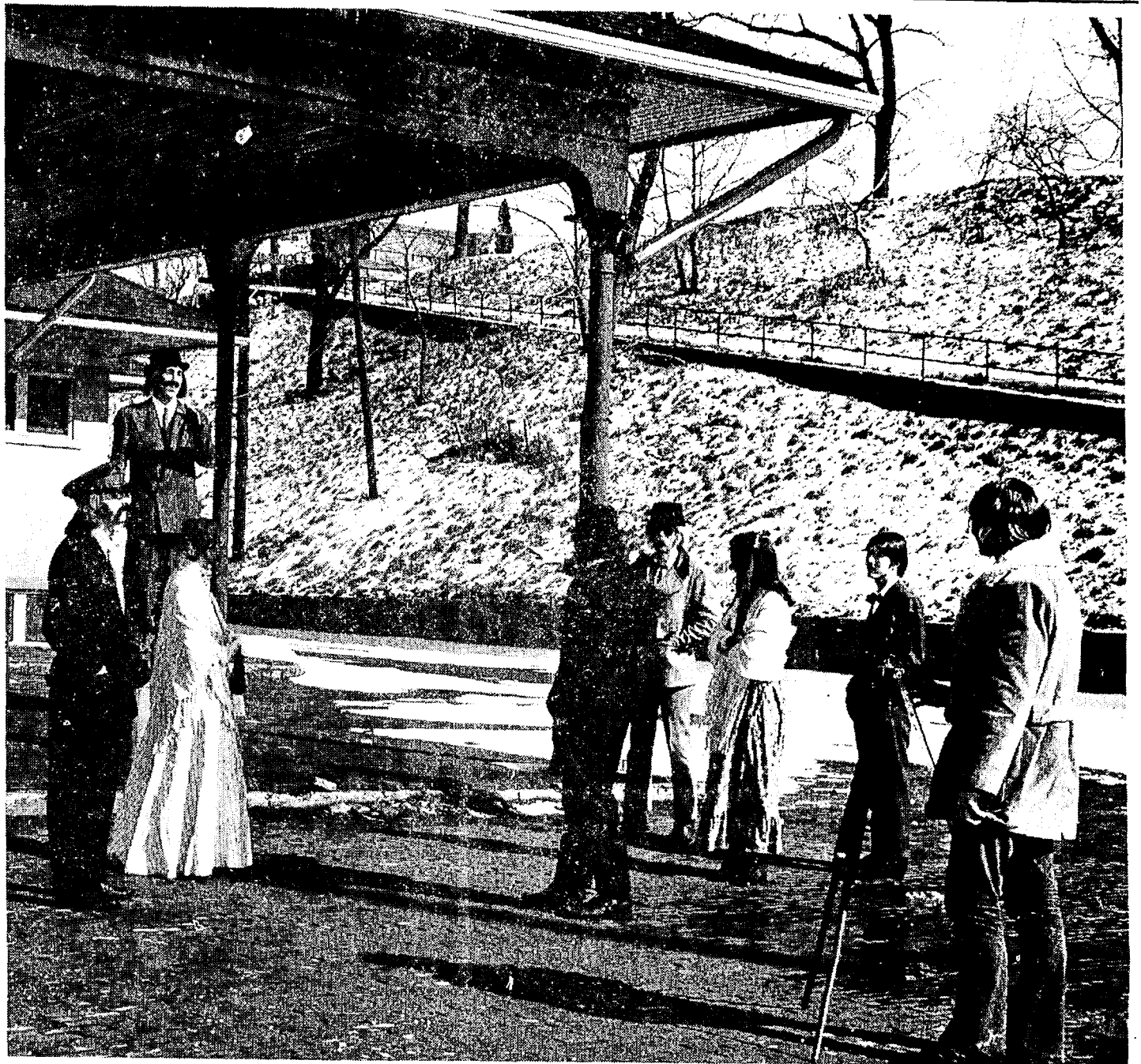
LANSING — St. Joseph high school's Vienna-bound band has been honored by the Michigan Senate.

The Senate has adopted a resolution introduced by Sen. Charles Zoller (R-Benton Harbor) honoring the members of the band and its director, Robert H. Brown.

The St. Joseph band has been invited to participate in the 1972 International Band Festival to be held in Vienna, Austria, this summer. Bands from 50 countries will attend the festival and compete for international prizes.

Zoller's resolution offers "a unanimous accolade of tribute" to the band and adds, "the southwestern Michigan area and the entire state are proud and honored to be represented by these fine young people at this prestigious event."

Copies of Zoller's tribute will be sent to each member of the band.



GET READY TO ROLL: After rehearsing scene eight St. Joseph High school English students prepare for film shooting in amateur movie they are making. From left are Eric Phillips, Cindi Nowlen, John Small (on soapbox), Scott Vandenberg (center), Bill Rohring, Terry DeTamble, John Sterling and Cameraman Rich Srneec. (Staff photo)

### Being Revived At SJ High

## The Melodrama Isn't Dead

By DICK DERRICK  
SJ City Editor

The melodrama is not dead and helping to preserve it — a few feet at a time — are eight St. Joseph high school seniors working on an English assignment.

They are making a silent movie, titled: "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Election." It has a sinister plot, several thugs, and a scrupulous politician, a

siren for a heroine, a busybody, a hero and a happy ending.

The students are members of English classes taught by Miss Mildred Webster and Mrs. Sharon Ingle.

Filming a movie they discovered is strictly a matter of watching the footage. They rehearse their scenes but because time is short and good shooting days are hard to come by they can't waste

any time.

The plot revolves around John Small, the governor and a scoundrel, who is seeking re-election and hires thugs Eric Phillips and Bill Rohring to try to kill John Sterling.

John like his name is of sterling character and the true-blue candidate.

Scott Vandenberg plays the mayor, Cindi Nowlen is a gossip busy body and Terry DeTamble the siren-heroine.

There really isn't enough film to have any romantic complications in the story.

Rich Srneec is cameraman. He shoots the scenes after they look good in practice sessions. While the camera grinds away, one of the players not in action carefully watches the film footage.

Some of the scenes were shot in a winery display room at Paw Paw, some in the

Vincent hotel in Benton Harbor and some at the St. Joseph Chesapeake & Ohio depot. The action in the story takes place in the 1910-20 era.

After the film is developed the cast will transcribe the script to cards, then film the cards and insert the dialog in the proper places.

They plan to accompany the movie with melodramatic piano music.

## Heads Cleveland Urban League



STANFORD S. SMITH

### BH Man Mute On Larceny Attempt Count

A 41-year-old Benton Harborite pleaded nolo contendere (no contest) Tuesday in Berrien circuit court to a charge of attempted larceny in a building.

Willie Horton, Jr., of 395 Miller street, stood mute before Judge Chester J. Byrns to a larceny in a building charge, then pleaded nolo contendere to a charge of attempted larceny of two cartons of cigarettes Nov. 23, 1971, in Mini-Mart, 106 Court street, St. Joseph.

He continues free on \$1,000 bond pending sentence of up to two years.

Stanford S. Smith, a Cleveland, Ohio, attorney and the son of Mrs. Myra Marie Nelson, 149 Birdie, Benton township, has been elected president of the Urban League of Cleveland.

Active in community affairs, Smith is employed as assistant law director for the City of Cleveland. His post in this department is chief of the code enforcement section.

Mrs. Nelson has been active in the Twin City Area branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Smith, a frequent visitor here has two sisters, Mrs. Geneva McGee of 260 Seeley, Benton Harbor; and Mrs. Nita Magee of Baldwin, Mich.

During the past two years, Smith has headed the Cleveland Urban League's budget and finance committee. He was born in Louisiana and was graduated from Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. He received his law degree in 1960 from Cleveland Marshall law school. Smith practiced law for eight years and then served 18 months on the Cleveland staff of former Congressman Michael A. Feighan.

A veteran of the Korean war, Smith served two years in Greenland where he helped open an Air Force base. His memberships include Cleveland, Cuyahoga county and Ohio state bar associations and the NAACP. He is a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner.

## Health Planners View Programs

BERRIEN CENTER — Health programs from dental care to problem pregnancies were presented to the Southwestern Michigan Comprehensive Health Planning association (SWMCHPA) during its quarterly meeting at Berrien General hospital here Tuesday night.

### SJ Safety Inspector Wins Post

Carl Konklin, chief safety inspector for the City of St. Joseph, has been elected second vice president of the Michigan chapter of the International Conference of Building Officials.

The group has just concluded a meeting at the W. K. Kellogg Biological station, Gull Lake.

The organization reviews and recommends building and construction codes for municipal authorities.

Konklin was elected secretary-treasurer last year and in the usual sequence of moving through the office is in line for the presidency of the chapter in two years.

Shannon Madison of St. Joseph explained the function of the Michigan Stabilization Advisory Board for Health, of which he is a member, and asked SWMCHPA to review Watervliet Community hospital's request for a price increase before the matter is considered by the state board.

He explained that the state board is part of President Nixon's Phase II and advises the Internal Revenue Service on the advisability of allowing price increases of more than 6 per cent for health care agencies.

"According to the state board rules, we will not take action on the hospital request until we have received word

from you on that subject," he said.

Paul Richey, SWMCHPA project coordinator, said the three-county agency made few substantive health decisions during its first organizational year, 1971-72, because it is working to build a strong organization for eventual planning work. But it will accept Madison's task, Richey said.

The association is a volunteer organization aimed at improving the quantity and quality of health care in southwestern Michigan through recommendations to local, state and federal health organizations.

C. Tiffany Loftus, chairman of the hospital and related

facilities committee, reported a study is currently underway of existing extended care facilities including nursing homes.

Steve Kraatz, president of United for Survival, explained his group's lobbying in state and local governments and stated UFS would like to work more directly with the SWMCHPA.

Dr. Jeffery Schmidt, chairman of the dental health committee, emphasized the expansion of Medicaid to include dental services starting July 1, 1972.

Richey also recommended that SWMCHPA boost its membership by tapping interested citizens.

## Lakeshore Junior High School To Host Band Festival Saturday

Lakeshore Junior high school will host a junior high band and orchestra festival Saturday.

The festival, the Michigan School Band and Orchestra association's district 6 junior high competition, will match area bands in a concert performance of required and selected pieces, and in a sight-reading performance.

Participating Saturday will be junior high bands from Fairplain, Buchanan, Brandywine, Coloma, South Haven, St. Joseph Milton, St. Joseph Upton, Berrien Springs and Lakeshore.

Competition is to begin at 9 a.m. in the Lakeshore junior high auditorium, and is open to the public.

## Lane Heads 'Y' Drive

Benton township Supervisor Martin J. Lane will again head the Community Branch YMCA membership drive which starts March 6 and ends March 31.

Lane is general chairman of the campaign with Don Bodjack heading the adult division, and Dale Herron, a 1970 graduate of Benton Harbor high school, heading the youth division. Goals are: 80 sustaining memberships, 100 adult memberships and 100 youth memberships. The Community Branch "Y" is located at 1697 Britain avenue.



MARTIN J. LANE

### Benton Man Slightly Hurt In Accident

Michael L. Haskins, 19, of 1683 Berrien avenue, Benton township, was treated and released at St. Joseph Memorial hospital yesterday after an auto accident at 6:15 a.m.

Berrien sheriff's deputies said Haskins' car, and a car driven by Charles R. DeWitt, 47, of 1320 Linden drive, St. Joseph, collided on Niles avenue in St. Joseph township. Deputies are still investigating the accident.

## Bangor Facing Split Sessions

### Board Expecting Increased Enrollment This Fall

BANGOR — The Bangor board of education has directed Supt. Howard Beyer to prepare schedules for split sessions for students beginning with the 1972-73 school year.

The board action came in reaction to overcrowded conditions in the Bangor schools. It is estimated that enrollment will increase by 65 to 90 students next fall, requiring about three additional class-

rooms, in addition to space already said to be needed.

The school has leased the fire station building for three years to provide extra space. The lease expires this year.

The board also is considering closing portions of the 1902 section of the present middle school building because of safety hazards.

District residents will vote March 23 on a \$3.5 million bond issue to finance construction of a new elementary school and additions to the present elementary, high school and middle schools.

This will mark the eighth time in three years Bangor school district residents will vote on a construction program. In June, voters rejected the proposal by nearly a two to one margin.

## Family Services Group Assists 1,000 In 1971

More than 1,000 persons were aided last year by the various services of the Child and Family Services Southwestern Michigan branch, it was related during the annual branch meeting Tuesday.

Berrien Circuit Judge Chester Byrns was guest speaker at the event, attended by 75 persons at Holiday Inn, Benton township.

Included were 11 foster families who were praised by Family Services board chairman Stephen Upton, "For their care of 72 children and the 6,609 days of child care." Upton termed their contribution to the lives of the children "immeasurable."

Mr. and Mrs. Paul French of Bangor were recognized for their five years of service to children in need of foster homes. Mr. and Mrs. Elton Lawrence, St. Joseph, had the longest service record: 54 children cared for over a 11 year period.

Newly-elected board members were Mr. French; Mrs. Ethel Waddel, Covert; Edwin Tiscornia, St. Joseph; Mrs. Murray Campbell, Niles; and David Joslyn, St. Joseph.

Officers retaining their posts are Upton, president; Duane Formosa, Watervliet, vice president; Thomas Tyler, Niles vice president; Mrs. Del Sabin, St. Joseph, secretary; and Dean Lightner, St. Jo-

seph, treasurer.

It was reported that last year the St. Joseph-based branch handled 17 adoptive studies, placed 56 children, had 72 children in foster care, aided 130 single parents, offered counseling service to 233 families.

Judge Byrns emphasized human resources during a time of great concern for ecology. Poor family relationships, inadequate education and inadequate community services lead to criminal cases in court.



STEPHEN E. UPTON  
Re-elected President

## State Roads Under Threat

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The U.S. Transportation Department, which has cried "wolf" before, again is threatening to take federal highway funds away from Michigan for failure to meet billboard standards.

The new federal deadline for billboard controls is March 31. A previous deadline had been set for last December.

Michigan and other states charged with failure to meet federal billboard standards face a possible penalty of withholding 10 per cent of their federal funds. This would amount to about \$19.6 million for Michigan during the 1972-73 fiscal year.

A billboard control bill currently is in a Senate-House con-

ference committee. Rep. Marvin Stempin, D-Livonia, who has been nursing passage of the bill through the House, said he thought it was possible to reach agreement in time to meet the federal deadline.

Missouri already has been penalized \$11.5 million in federal support funds for failure to meet the federal criteria. The money will be restored if the state complies with federal standards.

The House version of the bill heaves closer to the line demanded by the federal government. The Senate measure would have allowed much more liberal placement of the outdoor advertising signs around the state.

## Police Get Pay Raise In Detroit

DETROIT (AP)—Detroit police will receive a \$750-a-year pay raise retroactive to July 1 under terms of a state arbitration award made Tuesday.

The boost will place the annual pay of a patrolman with four years experience at \$12,750. A similar arbitration panel awarded a fireman of comparable experience an annual salary of \$12,979 last December.

The Detroit Police Officers Association had been bargaining for a \$2,000 yearly increase, while the city had budgeted \$382 per patrolman before the dispute went to arbitration provided for under Michigan law.

Pending in Wayne County Circuit Court, meanwhile, is a suit aimed at resolving whether policemen and firemen must be paid the same wage.

Last December, Detroit firemen with more than five years experience were granted a two-stage annual increase of \$979 a year by a state arbitration panel. However, the panel provided that, if policemen received an award different from the fire award, the pay of firemen would be adjusted to meet police pay.

Tuesday's decision thus could cost firemen \$229 a year.

## Scouts Who Won Eagle Are Honored

Southwestern Michigan council Boy Scouts of America held its annual Eagle recognition dinner Tuesday at the Cook Nuclear Center, Bridgman.

The event is held each year

## Buchanan Fire Being Investigated

BUCHANAN — Buchanan city firemen were called to 402 Redbud Trail South at 7:30 last night to extinguish a fire of undetermined origin in a four-room house owned by Mrs. Nellie Green.

The house, which had been condemned by the city, had been empty for a year.

According to Fire Chief Neal Burks, the fire started in a back room. All four rooms were damaged.

Burks said cause of the fire is being investigated because there was no electricity to the building. No estimate of the loss was made.

to honor those Boy Scouts and Explorers who earned the Eagle award during the previous year. Council Advancement Chairman William Ohmann presided at the affair which featured Jack Druckemiller of the nuclear center as the speaker.

Each of the boys indicated a career interest and then spent the day with a sponsor who is employed in that field. During the day the boys learned about their career choice and also toured their

## Snowblower Stolen At Niles Township Home

Niles — An 18-inch electric snowblower and several power cords were reported stolen from a Niles township house over the weekend.

Niles township police said Paul Keel of 1620 Florence street, told them yesterday the items and an eight-pack of beer were missing. Police said entry was gained by forcing a side door.

sponsors place of business.

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## Probe Break-In

SOUTH HAVEN — State police are investigating a breaking and entering of the Lions Den tavern on North Shore drive in South Haven.

Troopers said entry was made early Tuesday and that a quantity of liquor and an estimated \$40 in cash were taken.

## Dowagiac Board To Pick Housing Sites Tonight

DOWAGIAC — The Dowagiac housing commission will meet at 7:30 tonight in city hall to complete the process of selecting sites for the city's federally financed, low-income housing.

In all, 100 units will be built. There will be 60 units for the elderly, all in a single apartment building. Between 8 and 14 individual houses will be built for families on scattered sites. The rest will be row houses or duplexes, divided between two sites.

The cost of the housing project, now expected to amount to \$1.8 million, will be paid by federal money from the Department of Housing

## Venue Change Is Rejected

KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP) — Kalamazoo County Circuit Judge Donald Anderson has denied temporarily a change-of-venue motion in the murder trial of Mrs. Patricia Gould of Portage.

Anderson said a final decision on the motion would be made after the county tried to impanel an impartial jury.

Mrs. Gould is one of four persons who were arrested in the stabbing death of her husband, Louis, last March.

and Urban Development (HUD). Approval of the project was received from HUD in January.

The Rev. Kenneth Kennon, commission chairman, has announced that advertisements for bids on the project will appear later this week. Information is available to prospective builders and developers at the office of City Manager Henry Graper Jr.

## Tax Reform Meetings Due

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Gov. William Milliken has scheduled three more meetings in his drive for education reform tied to omitting property taxes for school financing and raising the state income tax.

The meetings will be held March 16 at both Kalamazoo and Wayne and March 27 at Flint. Milliken will conduct the Kalamazoo meeting. Lt. Gov. James H. Brickley will conduct the two other sessions.

## STOPS PERMITS

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Gov. Wendell Ford says that for the first time the state has stopped issuing new strip-mine permits on an industry-wide basis.

## Investments By County Set Return Record

Berrien County Treasurer William C. Heyn announced today that county government earned a record \$627,143.27 on short-term investments of various funds in 1971.

Interest came from investments by Heyn of county department of public works bond issues, retirement funds and other monies. Each fund is credited with its own earnings.

By comparison, earnings for 1970 totaled \$294,530.85, and in 1969 they amounted to \$225,364.65, Heyn reported. He noted that in 1971 interest rates remained highly stable at 4% to 5% per cent, while current economic conditions indicate 1972 earnings at levels of 3½ to 4½ per cent.

Earnings by funds for 1971 were: Public works, \$326,852.94; general fund, \$109,206.02; retirement, \$75,528.26; building authority, \$23,652.46; courthouse fund, \$11,404.75; Berrien General hospital, \$9,678.28; county road fund, \$57,551.79; and bridge and bond redemption, \$13,268.77.



EAGLE SCOUTS HONORED: Boy Scouts and Explorer Scouts of the southwestern Michigan council who earned Eagle awards during the past year are shown with sponsors at the Cook Nuclear Plant, Bridgman. The annual Eagle recognition dinner was held at the plant Tuesday. Each of the boys indicated a career interest and then spent the day with a sponsor who is employed in that field. (Staff Photo).



HARTFORD FAMILY ESCAPES FIRE: Fire yesterday destroyed the \$8,000 mobile home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fulton, 62nd avenue, Hartford, leaving only charred remains of the skirting. The Fultons

were home when the fire broke out and managed to escape but their dog remained inside and died. Harold Fulton reported that his hair was singed. The couple managed to save only Mrs. Fulton's

purse in their hasty exit. Hartford Fire Chief Harold Walker Jr. said today cause of the fire has not been determined. (Righter photo)